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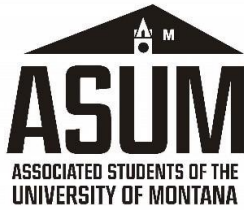
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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday April 29, 2020
Zoom – 6 P.M.

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2. ROLL CALL

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1. CHAIR HANLEY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:03

2. ROLL CALL

Present: President Belcher, Vice President Hanley, Business Manager Parsons, Senators; Anderson, Borghesani, Bowles, Corkish Durnell, Flanagan, Fulton, Glueckert, Gregory, Hahn, Jimmie, Johnston, Kiefer, Medina, Nelson, Ream, Rinck, Tarallo

b. Absent and excused:

c. Absent and unexcused:

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 15, 2020

a. Fulton-Hahn UC Called Motion to approve minutes

a. Motion passes

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. **Meghan Stark, President of the University Faculty Association** – I am here to discuss a fund the faculty union applied for to raise funds for emergency aid. The application is currently live. You can reach out to me directly for more info. We applied for seed funding that you can apply for here, but the original fund at Temple University has run out. We've found additional funds and have a good amount of money in this fund, so we anticipate the need will be great. We've also asked faculty members to donate what they can. This is called the FAST fund, and it means Faculty and Students Together, because you are the reason we are all here teaching you. We care deeply about you as members of our community. Your leaders have

been fierce and articulate during this. You have been represented far beyond what I expect from anyone. You have real leaders. This wouldn't happen if your president wasn't so persistent.

- b. **Alyssa Stokovich** – I am here urging you to vote in favor of my resolution to help put out resources on sex trafficking in Montana. We want to increase awareness and education about this to help identify and prevent trafficking in this state. This is the best way to get people aware of the topic. 4 million adults were victims of sex trafficking in the US last year and a million were children. We want to put specific resources to help identify red flags for someone who might be in those situations and to let them know who they can contact. This is pretty simple and barebones. We are just asking the university to do something.
- c. **Kyle Yoder, Students for Sensible Drug Policy** – We are focused on harm-reduction strategies to reduce the negative consequences of drug use and to work with the university to create a reasonable drug policy that does not create fear in stressful situations. We are supporting an amnesty policy and will be proposing a resolution supporting this to the university in the fall. We also want to distribute fentanyl tests to ensure that people who use hard drugs do not overdose by using drugs cut with fentanyl. We are partnering with the Open AID alliance for training and to reduce liability for distributing tests. We also want RAs to be trained in how to handle a potential overdose in the dorms. We want to make campus a safer place and save lives. Funding from the budget committee was much less than we need, but we hope we can secure more. I'm looking forward to working with you next year.
- d. **Michael Layeux, SSDP** – This is deeply important to me that we create a support system to mitigate the damage drugs can do. We need amnesty on campus to secure the safety for our students. We need to be able to distribute tests and get RAs trained so we can actually provide real services to people on campus. We can illicit real change. We have organized our budget to prioritize outreach during this time of remote learning. We are hoping to accomplish a lot with the help of ASUM. We are happy to answer your questions.
- e. **Cierra Anderson** – I was hoping to start a discussion on the 4 vote threshold for elections for write-ins. Doesn't seem like it's within the Senate's purview and seems like an issue with how few people ran for Senate this year.

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 - 1. Donna Anderson – Policy 380 - I am here to briefly highlight our travel policy going forward and what our faculty and legal counsel have said on the matter. This is designed to protect UM associates who are

travelling abroad. We typically keep track of this with the global travel agency. Students in global engagement programs that require travel are automatically registered to the list, while faculty need to register in advance of their trip. This requires travel insurance as well through the university or program provider.

- e. SB76 – Resolution Urging UM to Develop Online Sex Trafficking Resources
 - 1. Durnell-Hahn UC Called Motion to adjust font size
 - 1. Motion passes
 - 2. Parsons-Durnell UC Called Motion on spelling
 - 1. Motion passes
 - 3. Durnell-Glueckert UC Called Motion on punctuation
 - 1. Motion passes
 - 4. Fulton-Glueckert UC Called Motion to remove line 52
 - 1. Motion passes
 - 5. Flanagan-Tarallo UC Called Motion to add a reference to Paula Short
 - 1. Motion Passes
 - 6. Fulton-Tarallo UC Called Motion to remove line 46
 - 1. Motion Passes
 - 7. Johnston-Fulton UC Called Motion to Approve
 - 1. Resolution passes
- f. Committee Reports
- g. Other

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- a. Committee Updates
 - a. Tarallo-Anderson UC Called Motion to approve Constitutional Review Board
 - i. Motion passes
- b. Senator/Committee Reports
- c. Other

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- a. Students for Sensible Drug Policy – Zero Base Request (\$250/\$1,250)
 - i. Tarallo-Flanagan Motion to fund line item 62802 in the amount of \$75
 - 1. Tarallo: I'd like to fund the website rather than short term items so I'm hoping to split the pot of available cash
 - 2. Johnston-Tarallo Motion to amend to \$100 in the line item
 - a. Motion Passes 20-1
 - 3. Motion passes 20-0-1
 - ii. Tarallo-Johnston Motion to decrease line item 62210 in the amount of \$100
 - 1. Flanagan-Bowles Motion to amend the amendment to \$50
 - a. Flanagan: I'd like to see this line item funded in the same amount as the other priorities.
 - b. Motion Fails 8-10-4
 - 2. Motion passes 11-10-0
 - iii. Hanley-Tarallo UC called Motion to approve
 - 1. Budget is passed in corresponding amounts
- b. ASUM Fee Referenda
- c. Student Group Rollover Funds
- d. Committee Reports
- e. Birthdays
 - a. President Belcher's 22nd Birthday
- f. Other
 - a. 9 minute recess called at 7:57, reconvened at 8:06

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Relations and Affairs

The Relations and Affairs Committee met on Sunday, April 26th to discuss two final resolutions for the year; Resolution Amending the ASUM Bylaws to Address Executive Candidate Appearances within ASUM Promotional materials, and Resolution Supporting the Creation of Transitional Housing for Survivors of Domestic Violence at the University of Montana. The first resolution had some amendments that would include the ASUM website as a platform where ASUM Executive Candidates shouldn't appear, and made it so a candidate's written likeness could not be promoted through ASUM. There was substantial conversation regarding if Senate candidates should be barred from the same. This passed by a 5-2-0 vote. The next resolution did not see any amendments and passed by a unanimous vote. The committee talked minimally

following the resolutions to reflect on the year and about what the committee would look like next fall. Reach out with any questions.

Noah Durnell

Chair of the Relations and Affairs Committee

Legal (Oversight) Board Report

Legal Oversight Board had a meeting on Friday, April 24th, 2020 at 4:10 PM via Zoom. Legal Oversight Board hosted an educational webinar and asked that students watch it and fill out the existing Legal Needs survey on Qualtrics. Legal has had its final meeting of the Spring 2020 semester. Legal has submitted its “ASUM Legal Annual Strategic Report for 2020” to ASUM. Please see the “ASUM Legal Annual Strategic Report for 2020” for more information. Legal had a great 2019-2020!

Legal Oversight Board Chair Nicolas R. Ream

Sustainability Board

Sustainability Board met for the last time this semester on Friday, April 17th. We reviewed the bylaws and talked about goals for summer and fall semester. We talked about COVID-19 and the possibility of having Fall 2020 semester online, in which case many supported the idea of having sustainability “homework” as part of the Board in the future.

Senator Kiefer

Zero-Waste Advisory Board

Zero-Waste met for the last time this semester on Friday, April 17th. We reviewed the bylaws and compiled a list of changes we want to see made in the coming semester to ensure the Board is restructured to better engage students, faculty, and staff present on the Board. We also want to improve coordination among various ASUM and university agencies for the next year. In the future we are hoping to host a zero-waste sports event, such as a basketball or volleyball; eventually we would like to see a zero-waste football game as well.

We talked about the possibility of Fall 2020 semester being online and how we would want to keep Board members actively thinking about zero-waste using resources from PLAN. We hope that Zero-Waste can expand and improve its efforts in the coming year.

Senator Kiefer

Elections Committee

- a. Nelson-Johnston Motion to repeal the cap on write-in candidates the Elections Committee has placed
 - a. Nelson: There is nothing in the governing documents that allows this to happen. This will go to the review board if allowed.
 - b. Anderson: I think the interpretation was based on the lowest number an official candidate received, but we need to fill the Senate for next year
 - c. Glueckert: I had spoken with the advisors and advocated for lowering the threshold to create a full senate. Next year, elections needs to go through the documents and have these conversations earlier.
 - d. Parsons: How should the senate be filled in the case where we don't have enough candidates?

- i. Nelson: calling the write-ins randomly to gauge who is interested?
- ii. Parsons: This is something a constitutional review board should handle, not the Senate, but that might be a difference of opinion.
 - 1. Anderson: So I spoke with Lou, and because we are not changing the results, we can just do it, and then move to a constitutional review board to correct what we do from here.
- e. Tarallo: We are violating the rule right now, and hopefully the proportionality resolution will address this. To be honest, I also wonder how many write-ins actually want to serve. I think a threshold should be higher honestly. I do not think we should overturn the decision of the committee.
- f. Johnston: quoted the specific section that says the senate needs to have 26 members. Otherwise we are in violation of our governing documents.
- g. Motion fails to reach 2/3 vote at 9-6-5

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB74 - Resolution Amending the ASUM Bylaws to Address Executive Candidate Appearances within ASUM Promotional Materials
 - a. Corkish: I urge you to vote for this because this comes from grievances on if ASUM is prioritizing people who sit on Elections/Marketing&Outreach committees, so we are trying to address these complaints.
 - b. Corkish-Glueckert Motion to add "Exemptions may be given by the joint discretion of the Vice President and Chair of Elections." to line 38
 - c. Resolution fails 5-13-2
- b. SB75 - Resolution Supporting the Creation of Transitional Housing Units for Survivors of Domestic or Sexual Violence at the University of Montana
 - a. Durnell-Anderson UC Called Amend "drive" to "driven"
 - i. Motion passes
 - b. Durnell-Parsons UC Called Motion to change "has" to "have"
 - i. Motion passes
 - c. Resolution passes 19-0-1
- c. SB77 - Resolution Establishing a Memorandum of Understanding Between ASUM and Montana Model United Nations
 - a. Gregory: I am glad this is finally making its way to the Senate. We want to create a possible solution for groups that fit more in the gray area than trying to create a one-size fits all policy. I've been told for years that MUN and ASUM had a MOU to address the attention between sources of funding between ASUM and the department, but it does not exist. How MMUN gets funded has pretty much been dependent on who is business manager and the amounts change every single year. Recently, we've amended our constitution to be more compliant and hopefully address the concerns with this student group. I don't think this shows favoritism, it shows flexibility.
 - b. Resolution fails 5-11-4

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Johnston: One resolution to Relations & Affairs and Sustainability Committees arming Washington-Grizzly Stadium with nuclear weapons to protect the stadium and campus.
- b. Swearing-in of new executives and senators

11. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Hahn-Kiefer UC Called Motion to adjourn at 10:48 pm
 - a. Objection called
 - b. Motion passes